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“Writing Your Life Story and Theirs”

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- l ☆  [Writing an Ancestor Short Biography - 2022](#)
- m ☆  [RT: 3 Tips to Make You a Great Storyteller - 2017](#)
- n ☆  [RT: 7 Fantastic Storytelling Tools and Apps - 2017](#)
- o ☆  [FHD: How to Preserve Your Own Life Story, and Why You Should](#)
- p ☆  [FS: Put Some Meat on Them Bones: Telling the Stories](#)

Adding Historical Context:

- q Adding Historical Context to Your Ancestor's Life
https://news.legacyfamilytree.com/legacy_news/2016/04/adding-historical-context-to-your-ancestors-life.html
- r Historical Context for Genealogy Research: What Your Ancestor's Surroundings Say About Them
<https://publiclibrariesonline.org/2014/06/historical-context-for-genealogy-research-what-your-ancestors-s>
- s Putting Your Ancestor into Historical Context
<http://www.thefhgguide.com/blog/putting-your-ancestor-into-historical-context/>
- t United States Timeline <https://americasbesthistory.com/abhtimeline.html> Click on the decades you want to include.

FamilySearch/Research Wiki Resources: https://www.familysearch.org/en/wiki/Main_Page

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7. Creating a Personal History
8. Creating a Family History
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3-22-2023 Handouts

1. PowerPoint Presentation – notes pages
2. “Put Some Meat on Them Bones: Telling the Stories”, Cantrell, RT1049
3. “Writing and Publishing a Family History”, Brock, Guckenberger, and Lund-Johnson, 2019
4. Resources, FHC class 3-22-2023